FIVE PRISONERS LYNCHED

Mob of Indiana Farmers Take Revenge For Robberies.

GUNS AWED THE JAILERS.

Were Held in Versailles, Ind., For Robbery-The Farmers Had Been the Victims of the Thieves For a Long Time-Jail Raided Easily-The Men Beaten, Shot and Hanged.

VERSAILLES, Ind. (Special).-Incensed by numerous depredations, burglaries and daylight robberies, the people of Ripley County have taken the law into their own hands. Five men who have long been a terror to the citizens of this county were lynched here Wednesday night. This is the county seat and a town of eight hundred people. It is one of the oldest towns the State, but it is five miles from a railroad station, and has no telegraph office. For four or five years the farmers of the county have victims of a lawless gang whose depredations have continued unceasingly.
Arrests have been made, but the guilty men have covered up their lawlessness, and it was seldom that conviction followed. On Saturday last word was received by the eriff that the store of Wooley Brothers, at Correct, Ind., ten miles from here, was to be entered. The information was given by one of the gang who had been un-der suspicion. Sheriff Henry Bushing. with his informant and five deputies, went to the place. Shortly after midnight the gang reached the store. Clifford G. Gor-don and the Sheriff's informant were desig-nated to break into the building. Gordon effected an entrance, and just as he stepped inside the Sheriff grabbed him. Both pulled pistols and began firing. Bert Andrews, who was with the robbers, joined in the fusillade, while the deputies came to the assistance of the Sheriff.

The Sheriff was shot through the hand

and Gordon was shot several times. Three pistol balls entered his body, and he was also wounded in the leg. Gordon and An-drews succeeded in escaping and came to Osgood, where they were arrested. The robbers had driven out to the place in a buggy belonging to Lyle Levi, and it was learned that the robbery had been planned at the home of William Jenkins, Levi and Jenkins were arrested as accessories. All were taken to the jail at Versailles. Henry Shulter was put in the jail for robbing the barber shop at Osgood last week.

While the citizens were not able to fix the

while the citizens were not able to fix the various robberies upon these men, they were thought to belong to the gang that has committed most of them. When it became known that they were in jail, it was quietly suggested by the victims and symmethies that "limited" here. athizers that "justice" be summarily dealt out to the prisoners. At 1 o'clock a. m. horsemen seemed to come from all quarters and dismounted on a hillside near Ver-sailles, and soon about four hundred men

arched into the town. Shortly before 2 o'clock there was a knock at the door, and when the jailer opened the door he was face to face with pistols held by three masked men, who asked him to turn over the keys. This he did, and then the mob filed into the jail.

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Three of the prisoners—Levi, Jenkins and Shulter—were on the lower floor, while Gordon and Andrew were in the upper tier. Levi, Jenkins and Shulter showed fight, and the former was shot through the breast, while the skulls of the two others were crushed with a stool. Ropes were in readiness, and adjusting a noose around the neck of each and pinioning their feet and hands was the work of a few minutes. With several men at the end of each rope, the five prisoners were dragged two hundred feet to an elm tree, where their bodies were suspended. It is said that Levi, Jenkins and Shulter were dead before they reached the place. Levi was fifty-seven years old. Andrews thirty-four, Jenkins twenty-seven, Shulter twenty-four and Gordon twenty-two.

GERMANY'S NEW AMBASSADOR.

Dr. von Holleben is Reappointed to Represent His Country at Washington.

Dr. von Holleben, who will soon come to Washington as the Ambassador from Germany, is one of the best known diplomats in Europe. The doctor is also well-known and highly esteemed in Washington, where he filled the post of German Minister from March, 1892, to September, 1893. The mission was then raised to an embassy, and Dr. von Holleben was replaced by Ambassador Saurma-Jeltsch. The new Ambassa-dor is highly educated and a most suave man. He speaks English with as much fluency as a born American or Englishman,



DR. VON HOLLEBEN. (Germany's new Ambassador to Wash-

ington.) and during his stay five years ago he won many friends in Washington society, where he was known as one of the few bachelors of the diplomatic corps. Dr. von Holleben of the diplomatic corps. Dr. von Hollesch has had a wide and varied experience as a diplomat. He has represented Germany at Santiago de Chile and at Tokio. That was before his appointment to the American mission. He is about fifty-five years old and has an inclination toward the pleasures of literature. He will replace Baron von Thielmann, who is to be Secretary of the German Treasury. Dr. von Holleben is now Minister at Stuttgart.

Collision in Midstream.

The steamer Catskill, bound for Catskill and way points with forty-seven passengers and freight, was run down and sunk in the North River at New York City by the in the North River at New York City by the excursion steamer St. Johns, of the Sandy Hook Line. Bertie Timmerman, the six-year-old son of Moses Timmerman, of Leeds, N. Y., was seen to jump from the Catskill, and was drowned. Mrs. Maria McDonald and Mrs. Susan Morris, of Guttenberg, N. J., were unaccounted for after the rest of the passangers had been share. the rest of the passengers had been taken from the sunken vessel. Leonard R. Miller had his leg broken. The steamers met in

THE NEWS EPITOMIZED.

Washington Items. Domestic exports for August were the largest on record, while imports were the

smallest since June, 1879. The President resumed work at the White House, seeing many callers and holding a Cabinet meeting.

The President appointed Daniel B. Hainer, of Pennsylvania, United States District At-torney for the Western District of Pennsyl-

Upon the recommendation of Third Assistant Postmaster General Merritt, the Postmaster General awarded the contract for supplying postal cards for the four years beginning December 1 next to Albert Daggett, of Washington.

Judge Cox, of the District of Columbia, dismissed the suit of John G. Wood, Super-intendent of Mails at Louisville, for an injunction to prevent his removal from office. The case had been considered in the nature of a test of the power of removal.

The monthly comparative statement of the exports of breadstuffs, cotton, mineral oils, cattle and hogs and provisions in the month of August shows as follows: Breadstuffs, \$25,502,532; increase as compared with August, 1896, about \$11,000,000. Cotton, \$1,703,818; decrease, about \$1,700,000. Mineral oils, \$5,691,348; increase, nominal. Cattle and hogs, \$2,853,215; increase, about \$500,000. Provisions, \$12,233,137; increase, nearly \$1,750,000. Total, \$47,984,050; increase, about \$11,000,000.

President McKinley returned to Wash-ington from Somerset, Penn. He was re-ceived at the station by three members of

Louise Michel, the notorious French anarchist, has announced her intention to visit the United States in October. The authorities in Washington may not allow her to land.

Consul-General Lee had a conference with Secretary Sherman and Assistant Sec-retary Day on the Cuban situation.

Dr. Guiteras reported to Surgeon-General Wyman that a case of yellow fever had been found in Mobile, Ala., and he feared a serious outbreak.

Domestic.

RECORD OF THE LEAGUE CLUBS.

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Sarah Elmendorf, colored, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Dorsey, in Kingston, N. Y., at the age of 110 years. When only ten years of age, together with her parents, she was sold as a slave to the Tremper family, with whom she lived un-til freed by the Civil War. Her health was good until last January, when she fell down stairs.

The Republican County Committee of New York City decided unanimously that District-Attorney Cleott should be nomin-ated for Mayor of Greater New York.

Bridget Hayes, a servant, was found mysteriously murdered in the Carpenter residence in a suburb of Newburg, N.Y. 8he had been dead fifteen hours in the house before the body was discovered.

M. J. Patenotre, French Ambassador to the United States, has been transferred to Madrid, Spain, and Comte de Montholon, French Minister to Belgium, has been transferred from the post at Brussels to

"Ben" Ferguson, colored, was convicted at Walhalla. Ocean County, S. C., of assaulting a six-year-old colored girl. The white jury recommended him to mercy, which changes the penalty from death to

There was considerable rioting by the coal strikers in the vicinity of Hazleton, Penn., and the troops were kept on the march to suppress it.

From 15,000 to 18,000 coal miners returned to work in the Pittsfield (Penn.) district. D. T. Watson, a colored school teacher,

was lynched in Hamilton, Ark. Mrs. M. M. Brooks, better known as "Auntie Brooks," died in Pana, Iil. She was a well-known nurse in the Union Army

during the Civil War. A severe windstorm swept over Fort Wayne, Ind., and vicinity, doing considerable damage and fatally injuring George K. Rockenberger, Frederick Wehr and Au-

falling bricks from demolished chimneys. At 4 p. m. Thursday three prisoners ap-peared in the guardroom of the penitentiary at Columbus, Ohio, and, leveling revolvers at Continuous, Onlo, and, leveling leads at Captain Saxbe, attempted to escape. A fight ensued. Two of the prisoners, Botts and Clark, got away. Lincoln, the third prisoner, was held. Benjamin James, subguard, was shot twice. Botts is from Lucas and Clark is from Cuyahoga County.

Fear of yellow fever has practically depopulated Jackson, Miss. There are several cases at Edwards, near Jackson.

The overdue steamer Excelsior arrived in San Francisco with \$800,000 in Klondike

Michael defeated Lesna by 150 yards in the twenty-mile bicycle race at the Spring-field (Mass.) Bicycle Club's tournament, lowering the American record. Arthur Gardiner, of Chicago, broke the world's record in the one-mile professional handi-

During the unloading at Glasgow, Scotland, of the Allan Line steamship Tower Hill, the body of a young American was found deep in the grain. It is supposed that the young man was shot in with the grain when the vessel was being loaded in New York.

.There have been no disturbances in the mining region about Hazleton, Penn., but the strike is spreading rapidly.

United States Senator George L. Well-ington resigned the Chairmanship of the Maryland Republican State Central Committee, thus relinquishing the leadership of the party in the State, which he has held for the past three years.

"Joe" Farnsworth, who shot one of the young Hatfields and tried to kill Miss Alice Ferguson in Lee County, Virginia, was found hanging to a limb in the Cumberland Mountains in Kentucky. It was evident that he was lynched, though an attempt had been made to make it appear that he had committed suicide.

George M. Judd, a lawyer, was arrested on a charge of having stolen \$15,000 from the Title Guarantee and Trust Company, of New York City, his former employers.

The Kings County (Brooklyn) Republican Committee deposed Jacob Worth as leader and unqualifiedly indorsed Seth Low.

Miners in Eckley, Penn., were forced to stop work by strikers before troops sent from Hazleton to head them off reached

The Rev. "G. F. B. Howard," a notorious swindler, escaped from the Ohio Penitentiary.

Dr. E. Benjamin Andrews has withdrawn his resignation from the presidency of Brown University.

The public schools of New York City opened at the close of the summer vacation. It is estimated that 200,000 children out of a total of 225,000 applied for admission. The crowding was less than usual.

Foreign.

Mrs. Elizabeth Palliser, an American, died at Oxford, England, while under the influence of ether administered for a surgi-

cal operation. Catholic missionaries in China are being subjected to fresh persecutions at the hands

The shipbuilders' federation has called out the shipwrights in England, complet-ing the paralysis of the shipbuilding trade. ROYAL HEIR WEDS SERVANT.

Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria Marries a Former Housekeeper.

A sensation has been caused by the stateent that the Archduke Franz Ferdinand, son of the late Archduke Karl Ludwig and Princess Annunciata, daughter of the late King Ferdinando II., of Naples, and heir presumptive to the throne of Austria-Hungary, was married in London a few days ago to a middle-class lady from Kohl-cheidt, near Aix-la-Chapelle.

The Kolnische Volks-Zeitung says the lady's father was formerly a mine manager, that one of her brothers is a clergyman of Essen and that another brother is a tradesmrn of Aix-la-Chapelle.

The Lokal-Anzeiger adds: "She is a former housekeeper of Herr Krupp, the great iron master of Essen, where she met



FRANZ FERDINAND, ARCHDURE OF AUSTRIA

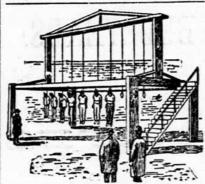
Archduke Franz Ferdinand. The couple

have gone to Algiers."

Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria was born at Gratz on December 18, 1863. He is one of the richest men in Europe, as he inherited, while still a child, all the immense wealth of the Este branch of the Hapsburg family. He was only eight years old when his mother died, yet his father then old when his mother died, yet his lather then straightway handed him over to the care of the Jesuits, with strict instructions that he should be brought up untainted by this wicked nineteenth century.

FIRE DESTROYS A BLOODY RELIC. The Much-Used Gallows at Fort Smith Gone.

The old relic of barbarism at Fort Smith Ark., the gallows in the Federal jailyard, is gone, never to return. It had been the intention of some civilized persons to exhibit the grewsome relic for money, ac-companied by George Maledon, the notori-



FAMOUS GALLOWS AT FORT SMITH, ARK.

ous hangman, who has killed legally more persons than any other man in the United States, but good sense and humanity pre-vailed, and that ugly instrument of death which has given to Fort Smith such a murderous reputation abroad, was burned in public, leaving nothing but ashes and horrid memories which time alone can efface. The whole number of executions at Fort

Smith within the last twenty-five years is somewhere near a hundred, of which about w are credited to Ge who never made a failure or a bungling job. Maledon is an old Federal soldier of German nationality. He hanged people as a business and seemed to like it, because there was money in it. The highest number of executions in one day was seven, and he called that a "good day's work."

GREAT BRITAIN AND SILVER.

A Letter on the Subject From a Bank of of England Official.

At the semi-annual meeting of the Bank of England, the Governor of that institution, after referring to the proposals of the United States Government on the subject of silver, proceeded to read a letter ad-dressed by himself to the Chancellor of the of silver, proceeded to read a letter and dressed by himself to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and wherein the bank ex-pressed its readiness to hold one-fifth of the bullion reserve in silver, as permissa-ble by the bank charter, provided always that the French mints were again open t free coinage of silver, and the prices at which silver was procurable and saleable would prove satisfactory. He concluded by denying that the bank had bought any silver, and declared that all the bank ha undertaken to do was under certain condition to carry out what was permissable under the statute of 1844.

GRAND ARMY COMMANDER KILLED, E. F. Sands, of Jersey City, Meets Deat by Jumping From a Trolley Car.

Emanuel F. Sands, of Jersey City, N. J. who'in June last was elected Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic in the State of New Jersey, was instantly killed while jumping from a trolley car at Varick

and Grand streets.

Mr. Sands had been to Newark to a Grand Army meeting, and was on his way home on a Consolidated Traction car. He told the conductor to let him off at Varick street, but the car did not stop and he jumped. He fell and his head struck the rail, fracturing his skull. He died before an ambulance could be called.

Mr. Sands was sixty-four years old and leaves a family. John Woodward and Irving Buck, the conductor and motorman, of Jersey City, were arrested.

Forty Persons Drowned.

Forty persons were drowned in the River Volga near Astrakhan, Russia. The steamer Tsarevitch was sunk in a collision with the Malfitka. As she was going down her passengers leaped into the water in a panic. Many of them swam ashore.

Lynched at Skaguay.

A young Russian Finn, whose name is unknown, was lynched by five enraged miners on Skaguay trail, bound for the Klondike, on the afternoon of September 3. The crime with which he was charged was stealing. The scene of the hanging was near the foot of the summit, about fifteen

Roller-Skates For Messenger Boys.

American visitors to London often complain of the dilatory messenger boy ser-The boys are now being provided vice.

WILL TEACH CHINAMEN TO FARM. A New York Man Under Engagement to a Progressive Chinese Viceroy.

G. D. Brill, of Poughquog, Dutchess County, N. Y., is on his way to China to teach the Orientals how to grow potatoes. corn and wheat; how to milk cows, what to do for hens when they refuse to lay eggs, and how to preserve the juice of the so it neither will be too sweet nor too sour, and capable always of sending a Celestial to Walhalla.

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Chang Chi Tung, who, next to Li Hung
Chang, is considered the most progressive
of China's ruling great men, sent for Mr.
Brill. Chang is Viceroy of Hu Kwang, Central China. He has 473 persons to every square mile of his district, and he thinks they do not get as much out of the soil as should

Chang had heard of President Scherman of Cornell University and the school of agriculture there. So he got Sldney C. Partridge, Yale, '80, rector of the Boone school in Wuchang, a foreign mission of the Epis-



copal Church, to write to President Scher-man, telling him that he wanted a smart young American to come over and give his farmers some information. Mr. Brill was graduated from Cornell in 1888, and since then has been running three farms. President Scherman thought he ought to know how to teach the Celestials, and the arrangement was made. Chang will pay all of Mr. Brill's expenses and give him a fat

salary.

Mr. Brill is taking along only a few seeds, some books, a chemical outfit, a typewriter and a camera. He purposes importing his hoes, plows, hayforks, harrows, drills, lover, hullers, threshing machines and

Mr. Brill doesn't know what he will do for power. He will need something to pull the plows. They have no horses in Central the plows. They have no horses in Central China, and Mr. Brill may have to harness a ot of Chinamen.

WOODFORD AT SAN SEBASTIAN. The New Minister Presents His Credentials to the Queen Regent.

The Hon. Hannis Taylor, the retiring American Minister, presented his letters of ecall to the Queen Regent at noon at San Sebastian. Spain, and in doing so made a short complimentary non-political speech.



GENERAL STEWART L. WOODFORD

Half an hour later the Queen received General Steward L. Woodford, the new Minister, who simply read the letter of President McKinley appointing him the American representative to Spain. The chief paragraph of this letter said;

"He (General Woodford) is informed of the relative interests of both countries, and of our singers desired to chilityste and

and of our sincere desire to cultivate and promote the friendship which has so long promote the friendship which has so long existed between both countries. He shall existed between both countries. He shall constantly try to promote the interests and prosperity of both Governments, thus mak-ing himself agreeable to Your Majesty." Both Mr. Taylor and General Woodford

Both Mr. Taylor and General Woodford were received by the Queen Regent at the Palace of Miramar, where she and her court have been spending the summer.

During Mr. Taylor's visit to the Queen Her Majesty carried on a friendly conversation with him regarding the United States and ex-President Cleveland, even saying that she hoped some day to visit the United States. When Mr. Taylor was taking his States. When Mr. Taylor was taking his leave Her Majesty said, touchingly:
"Do, pray, befriend Spain when you go back to America."

Mr. Taylor bowed low and replied: "I will do so as far as my conscience permits."
Mr. Taylor's departure is personally regretted even in the official world, to which e frequently had to convey unpalatable ommunications.

Yellow Fever Spreading.

Four new genuine cases of yellow fever were reported from New Orleans and five cases are said to have a suspicious character. The isolation of the city is almost complete, one town after another having refused to receive persons or goods from that city. The State of Alabama has pro-nounced quarantine against its coast city, lobile, in which place two new cases were reported; there is one new case in Scran ton, Miss., and a suspicious disease has broken out in Edwards, Miss., which is be-ing investigated. Alarm is gradually in-

Sagasta Takes a Gloomy View.

Senor Sagasta, the Spanish Liberal leader, in an interview on the subject of the Cuban insurrection says that instead of dy-ing out it is spreading. He adds that the situation in the Philippine Islands is serious and asserts that the Carlist propagenda in Spain cannot be viewed with indifference.

New Gernan Ironclad Launched.

The new German ironelad Kaiser Wilhelm der Zweite was launched at Wilhelms haven. She was christened by Princess Henry of Prissia.

NOTED WASHINGTON DIVINE'S SUNDAY DISCOURSE.

Strong Words of Hope and Promise For Discouraged Toilers in the Lord's Vineyard - Christian Workers, Like the Stars, Shine in Magnitude Forever

TEXT: "They that turn many to righteousness shall shine as the stars forever and ever."-Daniel xii., 3.

Every man has a thousand roots and a thousand branches. His roots reach down through all the earth. His branches spread through all the heavens. He speaks with voice, with eye, with hand, with foot. His silence often is loud as thunder and his life is a dirge or a doxology. There is no such thing as negative influence. We are all positive in the place we occupy, making the world better or making it worse, on the Lord's side or on the devil's, making up reasons for our blessedness or banishment reasons for our plessedness or banishment, and we have already done work in peopling heaven or hell. I hear people tell of what they are going to do. A man who has burned down a city might as well talk of some evil that he expects to do, or a man who has saved an empire might as well talk of some good that he expects to do. By the force of your evil influence you have already consumed infinite values, or you have by the power of a right influence won

whole kingdoms for God.

It would be absurd for me, by elaborate argument, to prove that the world is off the track. You might as well stand at the foot of an embankment, amid the week of a capsized rail train, proving by elaborate argument that something is out of order. Adam tumbled over the embankment sixty centuries ago, and the whole race, in one centuries ago, and the whole race, in one long train, has gone on tumbling fir the same direction. Crash! Crash! The only question now is, By what leverage can the crushed thing be lifted? By what hammer may the fragments be reconstructed? I want to show you how we may turn many to righteousness and what will be our

future pay for so doing.

First, we may turn them by the charm of a right example. A child coming from a filthy home was taught at school to wash its face. It went home so much improved in appearance that its mother washed her in appearance that its mother washed her face, and when the father of the household came home and saw the improvement in domestic appearance he washed his face. The neighbors, happening in, saw the change and tried the same experiment, until all that street was purified, and the next street copied its example, and the whole city feit the result of one schoolboy washing his face. That is a fable by which we ing his face. That is a fable by which we set forth that the best way to get the world washed of its sins and pollution is to have our own heart and life cleansed and purified. A man with grace in his heart and Christian cheerfulness in his face and holy eonsistency in his behavior is a perpetual sermon, and the sermon differs from others

in that it has but one head and the longer

it runs the better.

There are honest men who walk down There are nonest men who walk down wall street making the teeth of injuity chatter. There are happy men who go into a sickroom and by a look help the broken bone to knit and the excited nerves drop to a calm beating. There are pure men whose presence silences the tongue of unitarity and on the property of the street of the second of the cleanness. The mightiest agent of good on earth is a consistent Christian. I like the Bible folded between lids of cloth or calf-skin or morocco, but I like it better when, in the shape of aman, it goes out into the world a Bible illustrated. Courage is beau-tiful to read about, but rather would I see a man with all the world against him confi-dent as though all the world were for him. Patience is beautiful to read about, but rather would I see a buffeted soul calmly waiting for the time of deliverance. Faith is beautiful to read about, but rather would I find a man in the midnight walking straight on as though he saw everything.

straight on as though he saw everything.
Oh, how many souls have been turned to
God by the charm of a bright example!
When, in the Mexican War, the troops
were wavering, a general rose in his stirrups and dashed into the enemy's lines,
shouting, "Men, follow me!" They, seeing
his courage and disposition, dashed on after him and gained the victory. What meh
want to rally them for God is an example
to lead them. All your commands to others
to advance amount to nothing as long as to advance amount to nothing as long as you stay behind. To affect them aright you need to start for heaven yourself, look-ing back enly to give the stirring cry of "Men. follow!"

Again, we may turn many to righteous-

ness by pr as prayer, for no one can hide away from it. It puts its hand on the shoulder of a man 10,000 miles off. It alights on a ship midatiantic. The little child cannot under midatiantic. The little child cannot understand the law of electricity, or how the telegraph operator; by touching the instrument here, may dart a message under the sea to another continent, nor can we, with our small intellect, understand how the our small intellect, understand how the touch of a Christian's prayer shall instantly strike a soul on the other side of the earth. You take ship and go to some other country and get there at 11 o'clock in the morning. You telegraph to America and the message gets here at 6 o'clock the same morning. In other words, it seems to arrive here five hours before it started. Like that is prayer. God says, "Before they call I will hear." To overtake a loved one on the road you may spur up a lathered steed until he shall outrace the one that brought the news to Ghent, but a prayer shall eatch it at one gallop. A boy running away from home may take the midnight train from the country village and reach the seaport in time to gain the ship that sails on the morrow, but a mother's prayer will be on the deck to meet him, and in the hammock before he swings into it, and at the capstan before he winds the rope around, and on the sea, against the sky, as the vessel plows on toward it. There is a mightiness in prayer. deorge Muller prayed a company of poor-boys together, and then he pasyed up an asylum in which they might be sheltered. He turned his face toward Edinburgh and asylum in which they might be sheltered.
He turned his face toward Edinburgh and prayed, and there came £1600. He turned his face toward London and prayed and there came £1600. He turned his face toward Dublin and prayed and there came £1900. The breath of Elijah's prayer-blew all the clouds off the sky, and it was dry weather. The breath of Elijah's prayer blew all the clouds together, and it was wet weather. Prayer, in Daniel's time, walked the cave as a lion tamer. It reached up and took the sun by its golden bit and stopped it.
We have all yet to try the full power of prayer. The time wilkcome when the American church will pray with its face toward the west, and all the prairies and inland

prayer. The time will come when the Amer-ican church will pray with its face toward the west, and all the prairies and inland cities will surrender to God and will pray with face toward the sea, and all the islands and ships will become Christian. Parents and ships will become Christias. Farcass who have wayward sons will get down on their knees and say, "Lord, send my boy home," and the boy in Canton will get right up from the gaming table and go down to find out which shipstarts first for America. Not one of us yet knows how to pray. All

Not one of us yet knows new to pray. All we have done as yet has only been potter-ing. A boy gets hold of his tather's saw and hammer and tries to make something, but it is a poor affair that he makes. The father and takes the same saw and hamme and builds the house or the ship. In the childhood of our Christian faith we make but poor work with these weapons of prayer; but when we come to the stature of men in Christ Jesus then, under these implements, the temple of God will rise and implements, the temple of God will rise and the world's redemption will be launched. God cares not for the length of our prayers, or the number of our prayers, or the place of our prayers, but it is the faith in them that tells. Behiving prayer soars higher than the lark ever sang, plunges deeper than diving believer sank, darts quicker than lightning ever flashed. Though we have used only the back of this weapon instead of the edge, what marvels have been wrought! It saved, we are all the captives of some earnest

prayer. Would God that, in desire for the rescue of souls, we might in prayer lay hold of the resources of the Lord Omnipo-

We may turn to righteousness by Christian admonition. Do not wait until you can make a formal speech. Address the can make a formal speech. Address the one next to you. You will not go home alone to-day. Between this and your place of stopping you may decide the eternal destiny of an immortal spirit. Just one sentence may do the work, just one question, just one look. The formal talk that begins with a sigh and ends with a canting snuffle is not what is wanted, but the heart throb is not what is wanted, but the neart throb of a man in dead earnest. There is not a soul on earth that you may not bring to God if you rightly go at it. They said Gibralter could not be taken. It is a rock 1600 feet high and three miles long, but the English and Dutch did take it. Artillery and sappers and miners and fleets pouring out volleys of death and thousands of men reck. volleys of death and thousands of men reckless of danger can do anything. The stoutest heart of sin, though it be rock and surrounded by an ocean of transgression, un-der Christian bombardment may hoist the flag of redemption.

But is all this admonition and prayer and Christian work for nothing? My text promises to all the faithful eternal luster. "They that turn many to righteousness shall shine as the stars forever." As stars the redeemed have a borrowed light.
What makes Mars and Venus and Jupiter so luminous? When the sun throws down his torch in the heavens, the stars pick up the scattered brands and hold them in procession as the queen of the night advances. So all Christian workers, standing around the throne, will shine in the light borrowed from the Sun of Righteousness—Jesus in their faces, Jesus in their songs. Jesus in their triumph.

Again, Christian workers shall be like the stars in the fact that they have a light independent of each other. Look up at the night and see each world show its distinct glory. It is not like the confiagra-tion, in which you cannot tell where one flame stops and another begins. Neptune, Herschel and Mercury are as distinct as if each one of them were the only star. So our individualism will not be lost in heaven. A great multitude—yet each one as observable, as distinctly recognized, as greatly celebrated, as if in all the space, from gate to gate and from hill to hill, he were the only inhabitant—no mixing up, no mob, no indiscriminate rush, each Christian worker standing up, the control of the co ian worker standing out illustrious, all

the story of earthly achievment adhering to each one, his self-denials and pains and services and victories published. Before men went out to the last war the orators told them that they would all be re-membered by their country and their names membered by their country and the song be commemorated in poetry and in song But go to the graveyard in Richmond, and you will find there 6000 graves, over each of which is the inscription, "Unknown." The world does not remember its heroes, but there will be no unrecognized Christain worker in heaven. Each one known by all grandly known, known by acclamation, all the past story of work for God glesming in cheek and brow and foot and palm. They shall shine with distinct light as the stars

shall shine with distinct light as the stars forever and ever.

Again, Christian workers shall shine like the stars in clusters. In looking up you find the worlds in family circles. Brothers and sisters, they take hold of each other's hands and dance in groups. Orion in a a group. The Pleiades in a group. The system is only a company of children with bright faces, gathered around one great fireplace. The worlds do not straggle off. They go in squadrons and facets, safling through immensity. So Christian workers in heaven will dwell in neighborhoods and clusters. clusters.

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I am sure that some people I will like in heaven a great deal better than Yonder is a constellation of stately Christians. They lived on earth by rigid rule. They never laughed. They walked stary hour, anxious lest they should loss their dignity. But they loved God, and yonder they shine in brilliant constellation. Tet I shall not long to get into that particular group. Yonder is a constellation of small hearted Christians—asteroids in the eternia astronomy. While some souls go up from Christian battle and blaze like Mars thee asteroids dart a feeble ray like Yesta. Yonder is a constellation of marryrs, of sposities, of patriarchs. Our souls as they go up to heaven will seek out the most congenial society. ciety.

Again, Christian workers, like the stars, shine in magnitude. The most illiterate man knows that these things in the sky, looking like gilt buttons, are great masse of matters. To weigh them one would think that it would require scales with a riller hundreds of thousands of miles here. pillar hundreds of thousands of miles he and chains hundreds of thousands of miles long; and at the bottom of the cha-basins on either side hundreds of thousands of miles wide, and that thes On alone could put the mountains in scales and the hills into the balan scales and the hills into the balance, is puny man has been equal to the undertaking and has set a little balance on in geometry and weighed world again world. Yea, he has pulled out his meaning line and announced that Hemohal 36,000 miles in diameter, Saturn 79,000 miles in diameter and Jupiter 89,000 miles in diameter and that the smallest pear on the beach of heaven is immense byond a imagination. So all they who have tolle for Ghrist on earth shall rise up to a maintude of privilege, and a magnitude strength, and a magnitude of lookings, and a magnitude of joy, and the weakest and

strength, and a magnitude of holiness, and a magnitude of joy, and the weakest saint in glory become greater than all that we can imagine of an archangel.

Lastiy—and coming to this point my mind almost breaks down under the committee of the most empiation—like the stars, all Christian workers shall shine in duration. The same stars that look down upon us locked down upon the Chaldean shepherds. The meteor that I saw flashing across the sky the other night I wonder if it was not the same one that I saw flashing across the same one night I wonder if it was not the same one night! wonder it it was not the lamb that pointed down to where Jesus lay the manger, and if, having pointed out B birthplace, it has even sines been wand ing through the heavens, watching to a how the world would treat Him! Wh Adam awoke in the garden in the cot the day, he saw coming out through dusk of the evening the same wo greeted us last night.

In Independence Hall is an old gracked bell that sounded the aignature of the laration of Independence. You cannot ring it now, but this great chime of silver bell that strike in the dome of night ring ou at the creation. Look up at night and the areation. Look up at night and know that the white-fulles that bloom in all the hanging gardens of our King are contury plants—not blooming once in 100 years. rough all the centuries. Thest which the mariner-looks to-night was the light by which the ships of Tarshish were guided across the Mediterranean and the Venetian found its way into Lepanto. Their rmor is as bright to night as when, in ancient battle, the stars in their con aught against Sisera.

To the ancients the stars were symbols of the ancients the stars were symbols of eternity. But here the figure of my text breaks down-not in defeat, but in the majesties of the judgment. The stars shall not shine forever. The Rible says they shall full like autumnal leaves. As when the connecting factory band slips at nightfall from the main wheel all the smaller wheels slacken their speed and with slower and slower motion they turn with slower and slower motion they turn until they come to a full stop, so this great machinery of the universe, wheel within wheel making revolution of appalling speed, shall, by the touch of God's hand, slip the band of present law and slacken and stop. That